

This email is in response to the Do-Not-Call Implementation Act (Do-Not-Call Act). The background behind this law includes the Congress enacted Telephone Consumer Protection Act (TCPA) (1991). This Act helped protect consumer's privacy. With the increase in telemarketing and telemarketing practices this law was passed to not only protect the privacy of consumers but the safety of the public as well. The TCPA requires the establishment and operation of a single national database to compile a list of telephone numbers of residential subscribers who object to receiving telephone solicitations. In 1992 the Commission adopted the rules of implementing the TCPA but declined to create the database of subscribers who didn't want to be solicited.

My personal thoughts and comments to the Do-Not-Call Act are in favor of this Act. I like of the have strict guidelines that they must follow. I also like the fact that if you subscribe to this service you will not be solicited. The consumer will pay a fee to be in the "national registry" that will not subject your telephone number to solicitors. This can be a beneficial service because of the Epite Corp. (sic) Scandal. This scandal was brought to the public's attention due to the sharp increase in revenues between November and February of 2002. This company many Wall Street fame by having the stock price increase about 700 percent in a few months. This was due to the questionable practice of taking advantage of the people they call and manipulating their phone messages. Basically what Epite would do is call the potential consumer and offer their product. They said that this product would be charged under their internet bill for a price around 30\$ per month. With out the consumers consent the company charged them for a phony service and the customer had a very hard time trying to get a hold of the company to cancel the so-called service. The Do-Not-Call Act would prevent such things from happening if that customer were in the "National Registry".

I am in full favor of this Act and like the stance Congress has taken on it. Congress is making sure there isn't any confusion at to what this covers. They are also requiring the information and national registry to be constantly updated and making sure they know who is actually paying for this service.